

IN THE

UNITED STATES

PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

BRAVEN, Helen and KEAY,

Russell

RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE

ACTION MAILED 05/21/2009

CASE:

ATLAS 8095 US

SERIAL NO.:

10/506,958

FILED ON:

05/02/2005

FOR:

Nucleic Acid Probes, Their

Synthesis and Use

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

EXAMINER: Pohnert, S.C.

ART UNIT: 1634

Dear Sir:

This is a request for an extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on 21st May 2009. Applicant hereby request the Commissioner a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Office Action thereby allowing Applicants until 21st October 2009 to respond.

Applicants authorize the Commissioner to debit Bell & Associates Deposit Account No. 50-3194 in the sum of \$490, being the fee for a (2) two-month extension of time to respond to the instant Office Action.

If the Commissioner finds any additional charges or fees must be paid in connection with this communication, they may be paid out of Bell & Associates Deposit Account No. 50-3194.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 21st, 2009

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